GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1302
ANSWERED ON:10.03.2005
OUTSTANDING DUES AGAINST UNO
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any amount is to be paid by the United Nations Organisation to the Government for deployment of Indian Forces in UN Peacekeeping Mission;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons for outstanding such amount; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for early realisation of outstanding dues?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1302 FOR 10.3.2005

India has been an active participant in peacekeeping operations conducted by the United Nations since 1950. For their services in UN Peacekeeping Missions, reimbursement is made by UN Headquarters towards troop cost, contingent owned equipment and for self sustaining items like office equipment, catering equipment, furniture etc. The process of reimbursement is that the UN carries out a verification of manpower and equipment deployed in the Mission Areas. Based on this verification, the reimbursement is calculated. As on 28.2.2005, the following payments are due from the UN for ongoing Missions:-

(i) Payment certified by the U.N. - US $ 1,236,758.94

(ii) Payment yet to be certified by the U.N. - US $ 50,092,985 (Approx.)

The balance outstanding dues for the missions that are already over and the troops are back in the country is US $ 15,570,830.96 and Rupees 1,53,879,84/-.

The issue relating to payment of dues is constantly pursued with the UN through the Permanent Mission of India, New York.